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Docket No. 37-1360542
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NTS SERVICES CORP.
(an Illinois corporation)

Application for a certificate of
local authority to operate as a
reseller of telecommunications
services in MSAs 5 (Bloomington),
6 (Peoria) and 17 (Galesburg) in
the State of Illinois.

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ILLINOIS
COMMERCE COMMISSION

**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE TO BECOME A
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER**
(Use additional sheets as necessary.)

GENERAL

1. Applicant's Name(including d/b/a, if any) NTS Services Corp. (an Illinois corporation) FEIN # 37-1360542
Address: Street 2209 Broadway
City Pekin, IL State/Zip 61554
2. Authority Requested: (Mark all that apply) ☒ 13-403 ☒ 13-404 ☒ 13-405
3. Request for waivers/variances: In applications for exchange service authority under Sections 13-404 or 13-405, waivers of Part 710 and of Section 735.180 of Part 735 are generally requested. In applications for interexchange service authority under Sections 13-403 and 13-404, waivers of Part 710 and Part 735 are generally requested. Please indicate which waivers Applicant is requesting.
☒ Part 710 ☒ Part 735 ☒ Section 735.180 ☒ Other
4. In what area of the state does the Applicant propose to provide service?
Bloomington (MSA 5), Peoria (MSA 6) and Galesburg (MSA 17)
5. Please attach a sheet designating contact persons to work with Staff on the following:
 - a) issues related to processing this application
 - b) consumer issues

14. Does any officer of Applicant have an ownership or other interest in any other entity which has provided or is currently providing telecommunications services? ☐ YES ☒ NO

If YES, list entity. _____

15. How will Applicant bill for its service(s)? Flat Rate

16. How does Applicant propose to handle service, billing, and repair complaints?

By utilizing current infrastructure and personnel.

See attached Resumes and Attachment 1.

17. Will personnel be available at Applicant's business office during regular working hours to respond to inquiries about service or billing? ☒ YES ☐ NO

18. What telephone number(s) would a customer use to contact your company?

(309) 353-3155

19. What are your procedures to prevent unauthorized "slamming" of customers?

Not Applicable - Local Exchange authority is not being sought.

20. If granted authority to operate as a local exchange carrier, will the applicant abide by the following 83 Illinois Administrative Code Parts: 705, 710, 720, 725, 735, 755, 756, 757, 770, and 772?

☒ YES ☒ NO (If no, please provide an explanation.)

21. Will the applicant sign and return membership forms to the Universal Telephone Assistance Corporation and the Illinois Telecommunications Access Corporation? ☒ YES ☐ NO

FINANCIAL

22. Please attach evidence of applicant's financial fitness through the submission of its most current income statement and balance sheet, or other appropriate documentation of applicant's financial resources and ability to provide service.

See Attachment 3 - Financial Statements.

TECHNICAL

23. Does Applicant utilize its own equipment and/or facilities? ☒ YES ☐ NO

If YES, please list: 2209 Broadway, Pekin, IL

2950 Court Street, Pekin, IL

If NO, which facility provider(s)'s services does Applicant use?


24. Please describe the nature of service to be provided (e.g., operator services, internet, debit cards, long distance service, local service).

DSL Internet Service

25. Will technical personnel be available at all times to assist customers with service problems?

X YES NO See Attachment 2.

26. If Applicant intends to provide payphone service, will the equipment utilized comply with FCC requirements and Finding (9) of the Commission Order entered in Docket No. 84-0442 on June 11, 1986, including, but not limited to: (a) touch dialing; (b) access to 9-1-1 and "0" operator dialing without use of a coin; (c) rules governing use of payphones by disabled persons; (d) ability to complete local and long-distance calls; (e) unlimited duration for local calls; and (f) a message explaining the telephone's general operations, dialing instructions for emergency assistance, payphone owner's name, method of reporting service problems and method of receiving credit for faulty calls? YES X NO No payphone service provided.


(Signature of Applicant)
Daniel L.R. Johnson, President

VERIFICATION

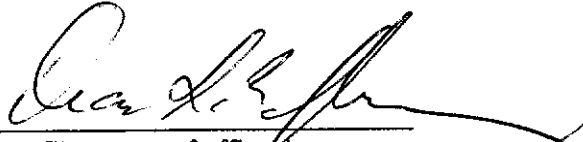
This application shall be verified under oath.

OATH

State of Illinois)
County of Tazewell)ss

Daniel L.R. Johnson makes oath and says that he is President
(Insert here the name of affiant) (Insert the official title of the affiant)
of NTS Services Corp.
(Insert here the exact legal title or name of the Applicant)

that he has examined the foregoing application and that to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief, all statements of fact contained in the said application are true, and the said application is a correct statement of the business and affairs of the above-named applicant in respect to each and every matter set forth therein.

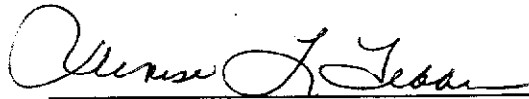


(Signature of affiant)

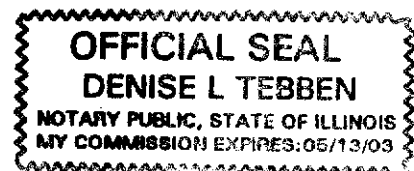
Daniel L.R. Johnson

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public/ Denise L. Tebben
(Title of person authorized to administer oaths)

in the State and County above named, this 4th day of October 10 2000.



(Signature of person authorized to administer oath)



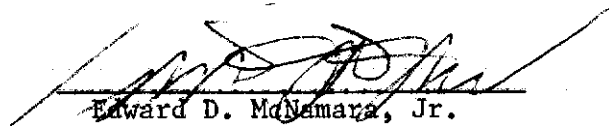
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that on this 20th day of October, 2000, a copy of the foregoing Application For A Certificate of Local Authority was served by hand-delivery upon the following named persons at the addresses shown:

Judy Marshall
Telecommunications Division
Illinois Commerce Commission
527 E. Capitol Avenue
Springfield, IL 62701

Stacy Buecker
Telecommunications Division
Illinois Commerce Commission
527 E. Capitol Avenue
Springfield, IL 62701

Cindy Jackson
Consumer Services Division
Illinois Commerce Commission
527 E. Capitol Avenue
Springfield, IL 62701


Edward D. McNamara, Jr.

Edward D. McNamara, Jr.
McNamara & Evans
931 South Fourth Street
P.O. Box 5039
Springfield, IL 62705
Tel. (217) 528-8476

Contact List

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P.O. Box 5039
Springfield IL, 62705
Telephone number - 217-528-8476; E-Mail: mcn&e@springnet1.com
Fax number - 217-528-8480

 - II. Dan Johnson
President / CEO
2950 Court Street
Pekin IL, 61554
Telephone number - 309-353-3229
Fax number - 309-353-3103
E-mail address - djohnson@ntslink.net

 - III. Rick Johnson
Vice President
501 Clinton Street
Bloomington IL, 61701
Telephone number - 309-829-5070
Fax number - 309-827-5012
E-mail address - rjohnson@ntslink.net
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- (a) issues related to processing this application = I
 - (b) consumer issues = III
 - (c) consumer complaint resolution = III
 - (d) technical and service quality issues = II
 - (e) "tariff" and pricing issues = III
 - (f) 9-1-1 issues = II
 - (g) security / law enforcement = II

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(Rev. Jan. 1991)

**Robert A. Lutz - Tazewell County Recorder
ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT**File # 5894-803-9

George R. Jesse White
Secretary of State
Department of Business Services
Springfield, IL 62756
Telephone (217) 782-1832

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JESSE WHITE
SECRETARY OF STATE

SUBMIT IN DUPLICATEThis space for use by
Secretary of StateDate 12-09-99

Franchise Tax \$
Filing Fee \$ 25.00
Penalty \$

Approved: ML1 **CORPORATE NAME:** NTS COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

(Note 1)

2 **MANNER OF ADOPTION AND TEXT OF AMENDMENT:**

The following amendment of the Articles of Incorporation was adopted on February 8
19 99 in the manner indicated below. ("X" one box only)

☐ By a majority of the incorporators, provided no directors were named in the articles of incorporation and no directors have been elected; or by a majority of the board of directors, in accordance with Section 10.10, the corporation having issued no shares as of the time of adoption of this amendment;

(Note 2)

☐ By a majority of the board of directors, in accordance with Section 10.15, shares having been issued but shareholder action not being required for the adoption of the amendment;

(Note 3)

☐ By the shareholders, in accordance with Section 10.20, a resolution of the board of directors having been duly adopted and submitted to the shareholders. At a meeting of shareholders, not less than the minimum number of votes required by statute and by the articles of incorporation were voted in favor of the amendment;

(Note 4)

☐ By the shareholders, in accordance with Sections 10.20 and 7.10, a resolution of the board of directors having been duly adopted and submitted to the shareholders. A consent in writing has been signed by shareholders having not less than the minimum number of votes required by statute and by the articles of incorporation. Shareholders who have not consented in writing have been given notice in accordance with Section 7.10;

(Note 4)

☒ By the shareholders, in accordance with Sections 10.20 and 7.10, a resolution of the board of directors having been duly adopted and submitted to the shareholders. A consent in writing has been signed by all the shareholders entitled to vote on this amendment.

(Note 4)

When amendment effects a name change, insert the new corporate name below. Use Page 2 for all other amendments.

Article I. The name of the corporation is:

NTS SERVICES CORP.
(NEW NAME)

EXPEDITED

FEB 09 1999

SECRETARY OF STATE

All changes other than name, include on page 2
(over)

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File Number 5894-803-9

State of Illinois Office of The Secretary of State

Whereas, ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT TO THE ARTICLES OF
INCORPORATION OF

NTS COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS HAVE BEEN
FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE AS PROVIDED BY THE
BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT OF ILLINOIS, IN FORCE JULY 1, A.D. 1984.

Now Therefore, I, George H. Ryan, Secretary of State of the State of
Illinois, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby issue
this certificate and attach hereto a copy of the Application of the
aforesaid corporation.

In Testimony Whereof, I hereto set my hand and cause to be
affixed the Great Seal of the State of Illinois,
at the City of Springfield, this 16TH
day of AUGUST A.D. 19⁹⁶ and of
the Independence of the United States the two
hundred and 21ST



George H. Ryan

Secretary of State

Form **BCA-10.30**

(Rev. Jan. 1991)

ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT

George H. Ryan
Secretary of State
Department of Business Services
Springfield, IL 62756
Telephone (217) 782-1832

Remit payment in check or money
order, payable to "Secretary of State."

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AUG 16 1996

**GEORGE H. RYAN
SECRETARY OF STATE**

File # **5894-803-9**

SUBMIT IN DUPLICATE

This space for use by
Secretary of State

Date **8/16/96**
Franchise Tax \$
Filing Fee \$ **25.00**
Penalty \$

Approved: 

1. CORPORATE NAME: NTS COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

(Note 1)

2. MANNER OF ADOPTION AND TEXT OF AMENDMENT:

The following amendment of the Articles of Incorporation was adopted on August 14,
19 96 in the manner indicated below. ("X" one box only)

☒ By a majority of the incorporators, provided no directors were named in the articles of incorporation and no directors have been elected; or by a majority of the board of directors, in accordance with Section 10.10, the corporation having issued no shares as of the time of adoption of this amendment;

(Note 2)

☐ By a majority of the board of directors, in accordance with Section 10.15, shares having been issued but shareholder action not being required for the adoption of the amendment;

(Note 3)

☐ By the shareholders, in accordance with Section 10.20, a resolution of the board of directors having been duly adopted and submitted to the shareholders. At a meeting of shareholders, not less than the minimum number of votes required by statute and by the articles of incorporation were voted in favor of the amendment;

(Note 4)

☐ By the shareholders, in accordance with Sections 10.20 and 7.10, a resolution of the board of directors having been duly adopted and submitted to the shareholders. A consent in writing has been signed by shareholders having not less than the minimum number of votes required by statute and by the articles of incorporation. Shareholders who have not consented in writing have been given notice in accordance with Section 7.10;

(Note 4)

☐ By the shareholders, in accordance with Sections 10.20 and 7.10, a resolution of the board of directors having been duly adopted and submitted to the shareholders. A consent in writing has been signed by all the shareholders entitled to vote on this amendment.

(Note 4)

When amendment effects a name change, insert the new corporate name below. Use Page 2 for all other amendments.

Article I: The name of the corporation is:

(NEW NAME)

EXPEDITED

AUG 16 1996

SECRETARY OF STATE

All changes other than name, include on page 2
(over)

Text of Amendment

(Any article being amended is required to be set forth in its entirety)

4. Paragraph 1: Authorized Shares, Issued Shares and Consideration Received:

Class	Par Value Per Share	Number of Shares Authorized	Number of Shares Proposed to be Issued	Consideration To Be Received Therefor
Class A	NPV	10,000	500	\$ 500.00
Class B	NPV	100,000	500	\$ 500.00

Paragraph 2: The preferences, qualifications, limitations, restrictions and special or relative rights in respect of the shares of each class are:

Class B shares shall have no right to vote on any matter submitted to a vote of the shareholders and are denied all voting rights.

3. The manner in which any exchange, reclassification or cancellation of issued shares, or a reduction of the number of authorized shares of any class below the number of issued shares of that class, provided for or effected by this amendment, is as follows: (If not applicable, insert "No change")

Class	Par Value Per Share	Number of Shares Authorized	Number of Shares Proposed to be Issued	Consideration to be Received Therefor
Class A	NPV	10,000	500	\$500.00
Class B	NPV	100,000	500	\$500.00

4. (a) The manner in which said amendment effects a change in the amount of paid-in capital (Paid-in capital replaces the terms Stated Capital and Paid-in Surplus and is equal to the total of these accounts) is as follows: (If not applicable, insert "No change")

No Change

(b) The amount of paid-in capital (Paid-in Capital replaces the terms Stated Capital and Paid-in Surplus and is equal to the total of these accounts) as changed by this amendment is as follows: (If not applicable, insert "No change")

No Change

	Before Amendment	After Amendment
Paid-in Capital	\$ _____	\$ _____

(Complete either Item 5 or 6 below)

5. The undersigned corporation has caused this statement to be signed by its duly authorized officers, each of whom affirms, under penalties of perjury, that the facts stated herein are true.

Dated _____, 19 _____
(Exact Name of Corporation)

attested by _____ by _____
(Signature of Secretary or Assistant Secretary) (Signature of President or Vice President)

(Type or Print Name and Title)

(Type or Print Name and Title)

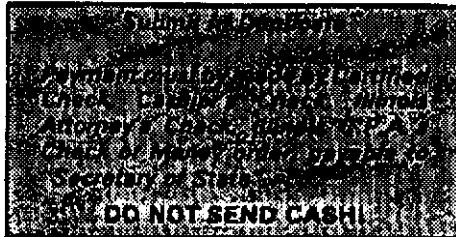
6. If amendment is authorized by the incorporators, the incorporators must sign below.

OR

If amendment is authorized by the directors and there are no officers, then a majority of the directors or such directors as may be designated by the board, must sign below.

The undersigned affirms, under the penalties of perjury, that the facts stated herein are true.

Dated 8/15/96, 19 96



JIM EDGAR
Secretary of State
State of Illinois

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

This Space For Use By
 Secretary of State

Date

License Fee \$

Franchise Tax \$

Filing Fee \$

Clerk

Pursuant to the provisions of "The Business Corporation Act of 1983", the undersigned incorporator(s) hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE ONE The name of the corporation is NATIONAL TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS, LTD.
(Shall contain the word "corporation", "company", "incorporated",

"limited", or an abbreviation thereof)

ARTICLE TWO The name and address of the initial registered agent and its registered office are:

Registered Agent

J.

R.

BAGLEY

First Name

Middle Name

Last Name

Registered Office

6 S. 4th St., P. O. Box 669

Number

Street

Suite # (A.P.O. Box alone is not acceptable)

Pekin,

61554

Tazewell

City

Zip Code

County

ARTICLE THREE The purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are:
If not sufficient space to cover this point, add one or more sheets of this size.

to engage in any lawful activity for which corporations may be organized for under the Business Corporation Act of 1983 of Illinois, as amended.

ARTICLE FOUR Paragraph 1: The authorized shares shall be:

Class	*Par Value per share	Number of shares authorized
Class A	N/A	100,000
Class B	N/A	10,000

Paragraph 2: The preferences, qualifications, limitations, restrictions and the special or relative rights in respect of the shares of each class are:

If not sufficient space to cover this point, add one or more sheets of this size.

Class B shares shall have no right to vote on any matter submitted to a vote of the shareholders and are denied all voting rights.

ARTICLE FIVE The number of shares to be issued initially, and the consideration to be received by the corporation therefor, are:

Class	*Par Value per share	Number of shares proposed to be issued	Consideration to be received therefor
Class A	N/A	500	\$ 500.00
Class B	N/A	500	\$ 500.00
			\$
			\$
TOTAL			\$ 1,000.00

* A declaration as to a "par value" is optional. This space may be marked "n/a" when no reference to a par value is desired.

ARTICLE SIX *OPTIONAL*

The number of directors constituting the initial board of directors of the corporation is three and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as directors until the first annual meeting of shareholders or until their successors be elected and qualify are:

Name	Residential Address
Daniel L. Johnson	1115 Maple St., Pekin, IL 61554
Rick A. Johnson	Bloomington, IL
Jim Schultz	5918 W. Ridgecrest Dr., Peoria, IL

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ARTICLE SEVEN *OPTIONAL*

- (a) It is estimated that the value of all property to be owned by the corporation \$ _____ for the following year wherever located will be:
- (b) It is estimated that the value of the property to be located within the State of Illinois during the following year will be: \$ _____
- (c) It is estimated that the gross amount of business which will be transacted by the corporation during the following year will be: \$ _____
- (d) It is estimated that the gross amount of business which will be transacted from places of business in the State of Illinois during the following year will be: \$ _____

ARTICLE EIGHT *OTHER PROVISIONS*

Attach a separate sheet of this size for any other provision to be included in the Articles of Incorporation, e.g., authorizing preemptive rights; denying cumulative voting; regulating internal affairs; voting majority requirements; fixing a duration other than perpetual; etc.

NAMES & ADDRESSES OF INCORPORATORS

The undersigned incorporator(s) hereby declare(s), under penalties of perjury, that the statements made in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation are true.

Dated May 27, 19 92.

Signatures and Names	Post Office Address
1. <u>[Signature]</u> Signature <u>DANIEL L. JOHNSON</u> Name (please print)	1. <u>1115 Maple Street</u> Street <u>Pekin, IL 61554</u> City/Town State Zip
2. _____ Signature _____ Name (please print)	2. _____ Street _____ City/Town State Zip
3. _____ Signature _____ Name (please print)	3. _____ Street _____ City/Town State Zip

(Signatures must be in ink on original document. Carbon copy, xerox or rubber stamp signatures may only be used on conformed copies.)

NOTE: If a corporation acts as incorporator, the name of the corporation and the state of incorporation shall be shown and the execution shall be by its President or Vice-President and verified by him, and attested by its Secretary or an Assistant Secretary.

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File No. _____

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**FEE SCHEDULE**

- The initial license fee for a domestic corporation is computed at the rate of 1/20th of 1 percent (50¢ per \$1,000) of the amount of stated capital and paid-in surplus, with a minimum of 50¢.
- The initial franchise tax is assessed at the rate of 1/10th of 1 percent (\$1.00 per \$1,000) on the stated capital and paid-in surplus represented in this state, with a minimum of \$25.00 and a maximum of \$1,000.000.
- The filing fee is \$75.00

The minimum total fees due (license fee + franchise tax + filing fee) where all the property and business is in Illinois, or where the corporation elects to pay on that basis is \$100.50. If you would like the fees computed for you, please call the Department of Business Services in Springfield.

RETURN TO:

Department of Business Services
Corporation Division
Secretary of State
Springfield, Illinois 62756
Telephone (217) 782-6961

RESUME'

Name: James Allen Schultz
Address: 5918 W. Ridgecrest Dr., Peoria, IL 61615
Home Phone: (309) 691-6057 **Business Phone:** (309) 353-3229

Education: BS degree in Industrial Engineering from Purdue University

Work Experience: March, 1995 to Present
Customer Data Base Technologies, Peoria, IL
Position: *Project Manager*

The purpose of this position is to help with a company-reengineering project. Current assignments include support for call center order system and other field assist products. My current work load is 50 percent project management and 50 percent development.

August, 1989 to Present
NTS Services Corp, Pekin, IL.
Position: *Partner/Officer*

Original business line is the Electronic Filing of Federal income tax returns. NTS collects tax returns from preparers across the country via data communication and forwards them to the IRS service centers. We incorporated an additional line of business and became an Internet Service Provider (ISP). NTS now has over 2000 local customers and is hosting several area businesses. Responsibilities include: software development and design, data communications, equipment purchases, documentation, product pricing, and standard costs.

July, 1990 to March, 1995:
St. Francis Inc., Peoria, IL
Positions: *Supervisor Development Services*
Senior Systems Development Specialist
Systems Development Specialist

My responsibilities include the development and enhancement of a Medical Office Practice Management computer system. The program was purchased by St. Francis to market to their affiliated physicians. The software as purchased did not work. During my first 12 months, my duties centered on correcting the package so that it was marketable. The majority of the changes were to correct deficiencies in a network environment (Novell). Since this was a new division and management had no experience in software development, my responsibilities included the implementation of procedures and tools to manage a software business.

December 1979 to August, 1989

RLI Insurance Co., Peoria, IL

Position: *Manager/Systems Development*

In this position, my department was the research and development arm of the company. Projects included the replacement of our accounting system, cost allocation, premium forecasting. And productivity analysis. I was also secretary for the Long Range Planning committee and maintained the corporate plans.

RLI Insurance Co., Peoria, IL (continued)

Positions: *Manager/Computer Operations*

Project Leader/Programming

Management responsibilities: Operation of data center, contingency planning, data processing equipment, department budget, corporate DP purchasing, and microcomputer hardware and software.

Supervisory responsibilities: 15 technical and operations personnel, \$1 million operating budget, and \$.5 - \$2 million capital budget.

Project management: Installed a \$3 million computer system that included physical plant renovation.

July 1978 to December 1979

U.S. Department of Agriculture

U.S. Forest Service, Milwaukee, WI

Position: *Regional Industrial Engineer*

Responsible for the application of management science techniques for improving capital and personnel resources. Participated in a study and generated cost savings alternatives for the automation of the regional telecommunications system for which I was awarded a special achievement and cash award.

Professional Achievements:

Registered Professional Engineer:

State of Wisconsin, April 1979

State of Illinois, September 1980

Certified Data Processor (CDP)

Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriter (CPCU)

References:

Will be furnished upon request.

303 2nd Street POB 7
S. Pekin, IL 61564

estout@ntslink.net

Eric Stout

[REDACTED] To put my skills to use for a company that can use them to their fullest.

[REDACTED] 1998-2000 NTS Services Corp Pekin, IL
Systems Administrator / Programmer

- Helped more than triple customer base.
- Expanded coverage from a single POP to a national level of coverage.
- Helped design and build new network infrastructure.
- Worked on many different programming projects utilizing Visual Basic, SQL, Delphi, Perl, and ASP.
- Managed a very wide-ranging network including multiple WAN POPs.

1997-1998 Computer Renaissance Peoria, IL
PC Technician

- Built and repaired all manner of PC's including laptops.
- Helped build a large customer base.

1996-1997 USPS -- Remote Encoding Center Peoria, IL
Data Entry

- Entered mail data for a four state area.
- Built data entry skills to nearly 100wpm.

[REDACTED] 1984-1987 Forman High School Manito, IL
• Completed all computer related courses available.

1988-1989 Illinois Central College Peoria, IL
• Took various programming courses including Pascal and Basic.

1999 Cisco Los Angeles, CA
• Basic Cisco Routing

[REDACTED]

I am very proficient in Visual Basic, having studied the language since version 1.0 and have used all versions since. I am currently using Visual Basic 6 SP 3 on various projects. I also have used (with varying degrees of knowledge ranging from very proficient to moderately knowledgeable) Perl, C, C++, Delphi, Turbo Pascal, DarkBasic, AMOS, PowerBasic, Clipper, Dbase, MS-SQL7, ASP, COM, ADO, RDO, VBScript, Javascript.

I am knowledgeable about networking including TCP/IP, Routing, hubs, switches, WAN, LAN, etc., specializing in the internet. I have taken various classes and seminars on the subject including CISCO's basic routing class.

I am intimately familiar with an extensive library of software ranging from small utilities to major software suites. I am very familiar with most Microsoft products and operating systems including, but not limited to WinNT, Win9x, DOS, IIS, Office97 and 2000, MS DNS, SourceSafe, SQL Server, Frontpage98 and 2000, and others. I also attempt to stay very current on the state of development tools available; various third party controls, development software, language changes, etc.

I am also very proficient with PC hardware. I have built every one of my last 3 PC's from the ground up and am very current on the latest trend in hardware. I try very hard to keep my systems up to date with the latest, best hardware and have nearly eight thousand dollars invested in my current system and it's various upgrades. I do not believe that there is any facet of PC hardware that I have not at least looked at in detail.

Rick A. Johnson

RR 1 Box 234
Heyworth, IL 61745
(309) 353-3155 (W) (309) 473-3912 (H)

P R O F E S S I O N A L E X P E R I E N C E

NTS Services Corp.

April, 1992 to Present

Pekin, IL

VICE PRESIDENT. Responsible for all corporate, legal, accounting and tax related areas; including payroll, bookkeeping, and other corporate requirements. Oversee all bank and tax preparer contracts and negotiations.

Tax & Accounting Plus, Inc. Budget Counselors Plus, Inc.

March, 1987 to Present

Bloomington, IL

PRESIDENT. Manage staff of four full time and three part time employees. Services offered include preparation of individual, partnership, and corporate tax returns; bookkeeping, payroll, accounts receivable, accounts payable, and client write-ups; credit counseling and debt management. Responsible for all corporate, legal, accounting, and tax related areas. Experience in small corporation management and hiring and evaluating personnel.

Turris Coal Company

August, 1982 to February, 1987

Elkhart, IL

MINING TECHNICIAN. Participated in new, innovative, team management concept. Responsible for all facets of the mining operation.

SAFETY AND HOUSEKEEPING REPRESENTATIVE. Responsible for preparing and conducting crew safety meetings.

E D U C A T I O N

Illinois State University

1977 to 1981

Normal, IL

Bachelor of Science degree. Double Major in Business Administration with a Business Sequence in the Information Sciences and French.

Computer Languages: COBOL and FORTRAN

Attended Grenoble University, Grenoble, France, January - May 1980.

Continuing Education: Individual, Partnership, and Corporate tax preparation; Accounting; PC Computer Technology; and Relational Database Technology.

ORGANIZATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

NATIONAL SOCIETY OF TAX PROFESSIONALS

NATIONAL SOCIETY OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF PROFESSIONAL BOOKKEEPERS

LICENSED AND BONDED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
THROUGH THE STATE OF ILLINOIS SINCE 1987.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE MILLER PARK ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY

CERTIFIED EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN (EMT)

BETA SIGMA PSI FRATERNITY

Offices Held: Founding Father - Was one of four founding fathers of
fraternity on Illinois State University Campus.

Social Chairman - Responsible for organizing fund raising
activities and social gatherings for fraternity.

ILLINOIS STATE MEN'S VARSITY TENNIS TEAM - 2 YEARS

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

- Results-oriented manager
- Strong problem-solving skills
- Successfully demonstrated leadership and interpersonal skills
- Strong consulting experience in software development

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Designed and implemented image system
- Reduced deficit and earned profit
- Implemented RLI' first Client Server system
- Developed and designed expert underwriting and loan processing system
- Started NTS in 1989
- Successfully diversified NTS into two divisions. Electronic Filing and Internet services.
- Sustained growth rates of 100 to 800 percent while maintaining control and service.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

NTS Services Corp

1989-Present

President /CEO

Started NTS in 1989 as a home business. In 1990 substantial growth required moving the company into a commercial environment. Nts has primarily two divisions today, Electronic Filing and Internet Services.

The Electronic Filing division (started in 1989) services customers in all 50 states and has sustained a growth ratio of between 100% and 800 % each year.

The Internet division (started in 1995) services customers in the Central Illinois area. Current plans call for expansion into the National market in 2000. This division has sustained a growth rate of between 100% and 200% each year.

RLI Insurance Company, Peoria IL

1982-1994

Manager of National Accounts Administration

Managed a group of 15 clerical, 1 secretarial, and 2 professional employees. Experience in hiring and evaluating personnel. Developed and managed a budget in excess of \$500,000. Responsible for interfacing with the National Independent Insurance Association of America while maintaining the account systems. Responsible for producing the best product at the best possible price.

Manager of National Accounts Systems

Re-engineered the current policy system while controlling costs, which required a major rewrite of the system.

Managing Director of Operational Technologies

Resume Of Daniel L. R. Johnson

1202 Timber Lane
Pekin, IL 61554
(309)353-7927

Responsible for the research and development of new technologies. Implemented RLI's first Image System. Client/server technology was researched, developed, and implemented (1992). Researched OCR and Handwriting Recognition to facilitate an automatic scanning system.

Executive Software Specialist

In charge of operation system on mainframe, time-sharing, and transaction processing.

United States Air Force, Kessler AFB, Mississippi 1979-1982

Group Computer Systems Development

Developed and taught computer science curriculum, specialization system software, FORTRAN, COBOL, and counseled students

Clifton, Gunderson, Coker, and DeBruyn, Peoria IL 1972-1974

Computer Operations Supervisor

EDUCATION

Universal Career College, Peoria IL

Specialization: Assembler, COBOL, RPG, and DOS

Community College of the Air Force (CCAF)

4.0/4.0 GPA

Specialization: Top Down Structural Design, FORTRAN, COBOL, Assembler, Test and Measurement, Speech, Teaching Skills, Student counseling, and Computerized Test Analysis.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION

NCR Century 251/300 Operations

Sperry Univac Application Programmer Course

DMIV/TP Implementation

Site Administration, VM&S GMAP

Operation System Analysis

Integrity Control Administration

Functional Analysis

Operation Systems Concepts

Software Installation and Analysis

DPS90 GCOS 8 Analysis

VM&S Programming Techniques

DMIV Data Base Administration

DMIV Administration

Lan Server Tuning and Measurement

Waf Implementation and Design

Microsoft IIS Administration

System Administration for Microsoft SQL Server 7.0

MS936-Supporting Internet Information Server

Implementing a Database in Microsoft SQL Server 7.0

Windows NT Administration

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Productivity, Automation, Networking, Micro-computers Operations, Programming, Various Management Classes, and Relational Database Technology

MAINFRAME EXPERIENCE

IBM 360, IBM System/3, and IBM AS/400; Honeywell 6000, Honeywell 870 and DPS90

PERSONAL COMPUTER EXPERIENCE

DOS 2.0 – 6.0, OS/2 1.2 – 2.1, IBM LAN Server 1.0 – 1.3, NetWare 3.12, Clipper, Lotus, Supercalc, WordStar 4.0, WordPerfect 5.0, Norton Commander and Utilities, Communications software: i.e. Softerm & Carbon Copy, and hardware maintenance experience. Windwos NT, Win95, and Windows 98.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Data Processing Management Association (DPMA)
Independent Insurance Agents of America (IIAA) National Level

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Skeeter State Team Member
Midwest Bass Association and Operation Bass

NTS Services Corp Service Capabilities

NTS is a service-related company providing Internet and Electronic Filing Services Nationwide. NTS was originally founded in 1989 in response to the IRS' decision to begin providing electronic transmission of Individual Tax Returns. From a meager beginning of 1 employee the company grew throughout the 90's at a formidable rate. At times reaching 400% growth, but always achieving at least a doubling of customers from year to year. The company, based in Pekin, Illinois, currently has 27 full time employees and plans to add another 15-20 employees during 2000.

In 1995 the company diversified and began providing Internet services to the local area. NTS is currently the largest ISP in Pekin, a significant accomplishment, considering there were 5 ISP's in Pekin when we entered the market. We currently have POPS in Pekin, Morton, Peoria, and Manito. Plans are underway to add additional POPS during 2000 and 2001.

NTS currently provides metered accounts, unlimited access accounts, web development and hosting, LAN network support, domain registration, search engine submissions and other related services. We also offer dedicated lines up to full T-1, electronic advertising, CD development, certified secure servers, encryption, and ISDN. At present, we have approximately 3000 Internet customers in our service area and are expanding to a national level.

NTS currently has two facilities in Pekin, housing twenty T-1 lines, nine (9) Lucent portmasters, seven (7) Cisco routers, four hundred (400+) modems, and fifty (50) workstation machines to support our systems and operations. We segment our bandwidth at a 6 to 1 ratio of users per modem, thereby eliminating busy signal problems.

The Electronic Filing Division has thousands of customers distributed throughout all Fifty states. Primarily composed of businesses providing Electronic Filing Services to Taxpayers. Supporting businesses that derive 80% of their total income for the year in 3 months provides some unique challenges. Customer service and excellent Technical Support is a requirement to insure these offices are running smoothly.

Attachment 2

NTS Service outage Response Capabilities

Realizing that service to our customers is a valued commodity, we offer technical support telephone from 9:00am to 9:00pm Monday through Friday, Saturday from 9:00am to 6:00pm. If a customer has problems and we cannot get them fixed via telephone, we dispatch a technician to the customer's location. Once on-site, we will diagnose and fix the problem at no charge. Other ISP's in the area charge up to \$80.00 per hour for this service.

We provide 24/7 network monitoring for our system. Should one of our servers or line go down, two pages are sent and technicians respond to clear the problem within minutes.

NTS goes beyond the "call of duty" with our customers. Constantly changing our software, procedures, and policies to attain the best retention ratios for our customer base. Customer Service is a #1 Priority at NTS.

NTS Services Corp

Profit and Loss

November 1999 through March 2000

04/26/00

	Nov '99 - Mar '00
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Coca Cola	126.66
Collection Income	1,148.56
Computer Repairs	83.60
Consulting	600.00
E-File	776,305.83
Internet	186,787.76
Reimburse Income	1,664.79
NSF	155.00
Refunds & Returns	46,187.48
Total Income	1,013,017.70
Cost of Goods Sold	
Cost of Goods Sold	1,851.89
Total COGS	1,851.89
Gross Profit	1,011,465.81
Expense	
Advertising	32,170.76
Automobile Expense	6,443.51
Bad Debts/Write Offs	-2,013.67
Bank Error	0.00
Bank Service Charges	8,944.87
Collection Expense	814.08
Commission Expense	18,827.41
Connect A Friend	520.00
Contract Labor	1,500.00
CSC Credit Services	31,135.18
Customer Service Credit	33.90
Dues and Subscriptions	1,001.00
E-File	20,888.00
FSD/Exp	1,963.94
Insurance	2,044.42
Interest Expense	242.48
Internet Exp	25,621.68
Office Supplies	64,827.86
Partnerships	82.44
Payroll Expenses	217,818.28
Payroll Taxes	20,747.37
Postage and Delivery	12,804.21
Professional Fees	47,995.96
Reimburse Expense	1,008.14
Rent	10,254.00
Repairs	180.58
Sales Contest	230.00
Seminars & Education	3,585.00
Software Expense	65,766.83
Supplies	9,559.43
Taxes	632.85
Telephone	133,970.69
Temporary Help	38,600.27
Travel & Ent	7,211.04
Utilities	1,603.30
Total Expense	773,045.43
Net Ordinary Income	238,420.38
Net Income	238,420.38

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Balance Sheet

As of October 19, 2000

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	Oct 19, '00
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Commerce Bank 551083714	19,220.48
First Security 108553	2,953.50
FSB/Pekin Sav & Loan 0180000028	850.00
First Star 8740011979	15,180.39
Pekin Savings 01-20058308	1,364.39
Total Checking/Savings	39,568.74
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	108,868.98
National Transmission Systems	730.88
NSF Checks	1,138.75
Total Accounts Receivable	110,738.61
Other Current Assets	
Notes Receivable	
Employee Loans	
Tammy Dulis	800.00
Christopher Mazza	989.99
Dan Johnson	1,200.00
Jason Krohn	2,116.73
Leanne M Parker	1,550.00
Richard K Brown	1,227.85
Robert Johnson	1,142.65
Total Employee Loans	8,827.22
Total Notes Receivable	8,827.22
NTS Postage Acct	149.45
Petty Cash/Broadway	342.75
Petty Cash/Court St	200.00
Undeposited Funds	3,976.19
Total Other Current Assets	13,495.61
Total Current Assets	163,802.96
Fixed Assets	
ATX-RELION	
Cost	1,383.80
Total ATX-RELION	1,383.80
Dell 733 GX 110/MBase,133MHz	
Cost	2,822.00
Total Dell 733 GX 110/MBase,133MHz	2,822.00
10 Async Port	
Cost	562.50
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total 10 Async Port	562.49
133 AMD Tower	
Cost	725.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total 133 AMD Tower	724.99
16 Bit Token Ring	
Cost	478.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total 16 Bit Token Ring	477.99
32 MB Module	
Cost	514.80
Total 32 MB Module	514.80

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4 - 5.1 Gig HDs	
Cost	2,067.78
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total 4 - 5.1 Gig HDs	2,067.77
4 Gig Lan	
Cost	3,848.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total 4 Gig Lan	3,848.99
4 Line Board	
Cost	702.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total 4 Line Board	701.99
586 AMD Workstation	
Cost	1,040.27
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total 586 AMD Workstation	1,040.26
6100 Light Pen,\$MII,SA Cable,	
Cost	1,244.40
Total 6100 Light Pen,\$MII,SA Cable,	1,244.40
Analog Adapter	
Cost	450.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total Analog Adapter	449.99
Arlene's Mid Level Computer	
Cost	1,480.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total Arlene's Mid Level Computer	1,489.99
Auto/Company	
Cost	4,500.00
Total Auto/Company	4,500.00
Cisco 12 10BaseTPorts 2100 Tx P	
Cost	1,121.00
Total Cisco 12 10BaseTPorts 2100 Tx P	1,121.00
Cisco3620 3600 2-slot Modular	
Cost	2,117.00
Total Cisco3620 3600 2-slot Modular	2,117.00
Computer Work Station	
Cost	2,786.42
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total Computer Work Station	2,786.41
Computer/Back Desk	
Cost	1,280.00
Total Computer/Back Desk	1,280.00
Computer/Bob	
Cost	1,769.58
Total Computer/Bob	1,769.58
Computer/Bob's	
Cost	1,993.42
Total Computer/Bob's	1,993.42
D'Mage Minoita	
Cost	699.95

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Total D'Mage Minolta	699.95
HP Laser 4M	
Cost	1,284.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total HP Laser 4M	1,283.99
HP Printer Laser Monochrome	1,513.52
IBM Think Pad 386 X D	
Cost	2,359.98
Total IBM Think Pad 386 X D	2,359.98
IEA Software INC	
Cost	3,385.00
Total IEA Software INC	3,385.00
Internet Equipment	
Cost	5,678.81
Accumulated Depreciation	-32.00
Total Internet Equipment	5,646.81
Internet Equipment #2	
Cost	3,200.50
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total Internet Equipment #2	3,200.49
Internet Equipment #3	
Cost	3,000.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total Internet Equipment #3	2,999.99
ISDN Compression Card	
Cost	492.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total ISDN Compression Card	491.99
ISDN Mod 101	
Cost	1,496.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total ISDN Mod 101	1,495.99
Lap Top - Jim S	
Cost	2,870.88
Total Lap Top - Jim S	2,870.88
Laser Printer	
Cost	438.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total Laser Printer	438.99
Livingston PortMaster 10 Modem	
Cost	13,000.00
Total Livingston PortMaster 10 Modem	13,000.00
Livingston PortMaster 3 & - T1	
Cost	15,035.00
Total Livingston PortMaster 3 & - T1	15,035.00
Livingston PortMaster 8 Modem	
Cost	9,620.00
Total Livingston PortMaster 8 Modem	9,620.00
Livingston/Lucent T1	
Cost	2,390.25
Total Livingston/Lucent T1	2,390.25

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mdm-56K-8 Portmaster 3	
Cost	988.00
Total mdm-56K-8 Portmaster 3	988.00
MDM 56k 10/10 Port w/5 modems	
Cost	16,765.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total MDM 56k 10/10 Port w/5 modems	16,764.99
Modem Card 4 Modems	
Cost	1,440.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total Modem Card 4 Modems	1,439.99
Modem Card 4 Modems #2	
Cost	1,500.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total Modem Card 4 Modems #2	1,499.99
Modem Card 4 Modems #3	
Cost	1,860.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total Modem Card 4 Modems #3	1,859.99
Modem Card 4 Modems #4	
Cost	1,240.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total Modem Card 4 Modems #4	1,239.99
Monitor/Best Buy	
Cost	641.97
Total Monitor/Best Buy	641.97
MS SQL Server	
Cost	2,602.00
Total MS SQL Server	2,602.00
MS WINNT SVR 4.0 W/5 CLIENTSN	
Cost	796.62
Total MS WINNT SVR 4.0 W/5 CLIENTSN	796.62
NBK-DPS/K62300/32/2.1/55	1,719.99
NM-IE2W 1Ethernet 2 WAN Card SI	
Cost	1,095.00
Total NM-IE2W 1Ethernet 2 WAN Card SI	1,095.00
NM-4T 4-Port Serial Network Mod	
Cost	2,190.00
Total NM-4T 4-Port Serial Network Mod	2,190.00
NSCP; 113-05440-00;2737	
Cost	2,233.00
Total NSCP; 113-05440-00;2737	2,233.00
NSCP;111-04676-02;2320	
Cost	1,000.00
Total NSCP;111-04676-02;2320	1,000.00
ODIM400 P166MMX SYS-PB P166MMX	
Cost	1,072.50
Total ODIM400 P166MMX SYS-PB P166MMX	1,072.50
Online Sign Up Software	
Cost	2,000.00
Online Sign Up Software - Other	-25.00

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Total Online Sign Up Software	1,975.00
pm-3a-21 Portmaster 3 6 Slot	
Cost	3,002.00
Total pm-3a-21 Portmaster 3 6 Slot	3,002.00
PM 3A 2T/Base Chassis	
Cost	9,028.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total PM 3A 2T/Base Chassis	9,027.99
Port Master	
Cost	1,967.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total Port Master	1,966.99
Port Master #2	
Cost	1,967.00
Total Port Master #2	1,967.00
Port Master #3	
Cost	11,967.00
Accumulated Depreciation	-0.01
Total Port Master #3	11,966.99
PS1000 Packetshaper 1000 Br Ofc	3,200.00
RoboHelp Office	
Cost	1,417.00
Total RoboHelp Office	1,417.00
Training Computers	
Cost	5,174.52
Accumulated Depreciation	-129.00
Total Training Computers	5,045.52
TSU-LT T1 Single PortStandalone	
Cost	582.00
Total TSU-LT T1 Single PortStandalone	582.00
Upgrade NT Dev Lic # 13048	
Cost	1,574.43
Total Upgrade NT Dev Lic # 13048	1,574.43
WD Cavier 6.4GB Ultra DMA HDD	
Cost	334.49
Total WD Cavier 6.4GB Ultra DMA HDD	334.49
Win NT 4.0 Workstation	
Cost	444.25
Total Win NT 4.0 Workstation	444.25
Workstation-P75/16 MEG RAM	
Cost	650.00
Total Workstation-P75/16 MEG RAM	650.00
Total Fixed Assets	179,627.39
TOTAL ASSETS	343,430.35
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
Accounts Payable	15,308.43
Total Accounts Payable	15,308.43

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Credit Cards	
Credit Cards	
Office Max	112.15
Sam's Club	195.44
Staples	450.90
Total Credit Cards	758.49
Mastercard	
Daniel L. R. Johnson	309.57
Jim Schultz	48.07
Marvel A Johnson	123.92
Michele Parker	400.97
Rick A. Johnson	33.84
Total Mastercard	914.37
Total Credit Cards	1,672.86
Other Current Liabilities	
Commission Liabilities	
Quarter	-91.23
Awards	275.25
Angela Sams	226.71
David J Herlihy	-1.96
Jason D Krohn	3.92
Kathryn E Derrick	51.72
Leah Cr	-35.66
Randy Nell	124.26
Robert S Johnson	-58.43
Sean M Gray	92.12
Shalena Hornsby	35.75
Steven R Brown	-51.34
Sydney McDaniels	-22.69
Thomas	-86.60
Total Commission Liabilities	481.82
Loans Payable	
Daniel L R Johnson	2,200.00
First Security Operating Loan	225,000.00
Total Loans Payable	227,200.00
Payroll Liabilities	
Employee Health	2.87
Federal Unemployment Tax	32.86
Federal Withholding	337.00
IL Unemployment Company	24.10
IL Withholding	69.99
Medicare Company	59.57
Medicare Employee	59.57
Social Security Company	254.72
Social Security Employee	254.72
Total Payroll Liabilities	1,095.40
Sales Tax Payable	3,088.67
Total Other Current Liabilities	231,863.69
Total Current Liabilities	248,845.18
Total Liabilities	248,845.18
Equity	
Capital Stock	1,000.00
Opening Bal Equity	-0.38
Retained Earnings	49,012.15
Net Income	44,573.40
Total Equity	94,585.17

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	Oct 19, '00
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>343,430.36</u>